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SUBJECT: PRESS ACCOUNT OF CENTRAL AMERICAN PRESIDENTS'
MEDIATION ON NICARAGUA

FOLLOWING IS PRESS GUIDANCE GIVEN TO DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN
FOR USE ON IF ASKED BASIS AT NOON BRIEFING SEPTEMBER 7.
EMBASSY MAY ALSO USE THIS ON IF ASKED BASIS AND AS
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-- QUESTION - DOES THE DEPARTMENT HAVE A COMMENT ON REPORTS
IN THE COSTA RICA PRESS THAT COSTA RICA HAS INITIATED A
CENTRAL AMERICAN MEDIATION EFFORT REGARDING NICARAGUA?

-- ANSWER - THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HAS LEARNED OF THE
COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY PRESIDENT CARAZO IN WHICH HE ANNOUNCES
THAT HE HAS SENT FOREIGN MINISTER CALDERON TO CONSULT WITH

CENTRAL AMERICAN COUNTRIES TO SEEK A PEACE FORMULA FOR NICARAGUA. WE WELCOME SUCH A CENTRAL AMERICA MEDIATION INITIATIVE.

-- QUESTION - CAN YOU GIVE US MORE DETAILS OF THE COSTA RICAN PROPOSAL?

-- ANSWER - THAT IS A QUESTION FOR THE COSTA RICANS TO ANSWER.

-- QUESTION - DID (OR DOES) THE U.S. HAVE ANY ROLE IN THIS INITIATIVE?

-- ANSWER - PRESIDENT CARAZO INFORMED US OF HIS INTENTION TO EXPLORE A POSSIBLE CENTRAL AMERICAN MEDIATION EFFORT. WE TOLD HIM WE WELCOMED THAT INITIATIVE.

-- QUESTION - HOW CAN THE STATE DEPARTMENT WELCOME SOMETHING ABOUT WHICH IT HAS NO DETAILS?

-- ANSWER - WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE CURRENT SITUATION IN NICARAGUA AND ABOUT THE POSSIBLE EFFECT ON SECURITY IN THE REGION. WE BELIEVE THE IDEA OF A CENTRAL AMERICAN MEDIATION INITIATIVE IS AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE TO THE CONCERN OF THE NATIONS IN THAT REGION. CHRISTOPHER

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